

H. R. 180.

AMENDMENT

Proposed by the Senate, to the “ *bill to reduce and fix the Military Peace Establishment of the United States.*”

FEBRUARY 24, 1821.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,

FEBRUARY 24, 1821.

Resolved, That the bill from the House of Representatives, entitled “ An act to reduce and fix the Military Peace Establishment of the United States,” do pass with the following amendment:

Section 1, line 2, after the word “ assembled,” strike out to the end of the bill, and insert:

1 “That, from and after the first day of June next, the Mili-
2 tary Peace Establishment of the United States, shall be com-
3 posed of four regiments of artillery, and seven regiments of
4 infantry, with such officers of engineers, of ordnance, and of
5 the staff, as are hereinafter provided for.

1 “SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That each regiment
2 of artillery shall consist of one colonel, one lieutenant colonel,

3 one major, one sergeant major, one quartermaster sergeant,
 4 and nine companies, one of which shall be designated and
 5 equipped as light artillery; and that there shall be attached to
 6 each regiment of artillery one supernumerary captain to per-
 7 form ordnance duty; and that each company shall consist of
 8 one captain, two first lieutenants, two second lieutenants, four
 9 sergeants, four corporals, three artificers, two musicians, and
 10 forty-two privates. That each regiment of infantry shall con-
 11 sist of one colonel, one lieutenant colonel, one major, one
 12 sergeant major, one quartermaster sergeant, two principal
 13 musicians, and ten companies; each of which shall consist of
 14 one captain, one first lieutenant, one second lieutenant, three
 15 sergeants, four corporals, two musicians, and forty-eight pri-
 16 vates; and that to each regiment of artillery and infantry,
 17 there shall be one adjutant, who shall be taken from the su-
 18 balterns of the line.

1 “SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the corps of
 2 engineers, (bombardiers excepted) and the topographical en-
 3 gineers, and their assistants, shall be retained in service as
 4 at present organized.

1 “SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the ordnance
 2 department shall be merged in the artillery; and that the
 3 President of the United States be, and he is hereby, autho-
 4 rized to select from the regiments of artillery such officers
 5 as may be necessary to perform ordnance duties, who, while

6 so detached, shall receive the pay and emoluments now re-
 7 ceived by ordnance officers, and shall be subject only to the
 8 orders of the War Department; and that the number of enlist-
 9 ed men in the ordnance department be reduced to fifty-six.

1 “SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be
 2 one major general, with two aids de camp, two brigadier ge-
 3 nerals, each with one aid de camp; and that the aids de camp
 4 be taken from the subalterns of the line, and, in addition to
 5 their other duties, shall perform the duties of assistant adju-
 6 tant general.

1 “SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be
 2 one adjutant general, and two inspectors general, with the
 3 rank, pay, and emoluments, of colonels of cavalry.

1 “SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be
 2 one quartermaster general; that there shall be two quarter-
 3 masters, with the rank, pay, and emoluments, of majors of
 4 cavalry; and ten assistant quartermasters, who shall, in addi-
 5 tion to their pay in the line, receive a sum not less than ten
 6 dollars, nor more than twenty dollars, per month, to be regu-
 7 lated by the Secretary of War.

1 “SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be
 2 one commissary general of subsistence; and that there shall
 3 be as many assistant commissaries as the service may re-
 4 quire, not exceeding fifty, who shall be taken from the subal-
 5 terns of the line, and shall, in addition to their pay in the line,

6 receive a sum not less than ten, nor more than twenty, dol-
 7 lars per month; and that the assistant quartermasters, and
 8 assistant commissaries of subsistence, shall be subject to du-
 9 ties in both departments, under the orders of the Secretary
 10 of War.

1 “SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be
 2 one judge advocate, with an annual salary of two thousand
 3 dollars; that there shall be one paymaster general, with the
 4 present compensation, and fourteen paymasters, with the
 5 pay and emoluments of regimental paymasters; and that
 6 there shall be one commissary of purchases, and two mili-
 7 tary storekeepers, to be attached to the purchasing depart-
 8 ment.

1 “SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the medical
 2 department shall consist of one surgeon general, eight sur-
 3 geons, with the compensation of regimental surgeons, and
 4 forty-five assistant surgeons, with the compensation of post-
 5 surgeons.

1 “SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That the officers,
 2 non-commissioned officers, artificers, musicians, and privates,
 3 retained by this act, except those specially provided for,
 4 shall have the same rank, pay, and emoluments, as are pro-
 5 vided, in like cases, by existing laws; and that the force au-
 6 thorized and continued in service under this act, shall be sub-
 7 ject to the rules and articles of war.

1 “SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted,* That the President
2 of the United States cause to be arranged the officers, non-
3 commissioned officers, artificers, musicians, and privates, of
4 the several corps now in the service of the United States, in
5 such manner as to form and complete out of the same the
6 force authorized by this act, and cause the supernumerary
7 officers, non-commissioned officers, artificers, musicians, and
8 privates, to be discharged from the service of the United
9 States.

4 “SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted,* That there shall be
2 allowed and paid to each commissioned officer who shall be
3 discharged from the service of the United States in pursu-
4 ance of this act, three months pay in addition to the pay and
5 emoluments to which he may be entitled by law at the time
6 of his discharge; and that to all officers, so discharged, who
7 have served more than three years in the army of the United
8 States, there shall be allowed and paid one month's pay of
9 their respective grades, for each year of past service over
10 and above three years.

Attest,

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CHARLES CUTTS, *Secretary.*